

VEHICLE WHEEL ASSEMBLY AND CLADDING THEREFORE

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A wheel cladding assembly includes a wheel having a disk and a rim complementary to the disk, wherein the disk and the rim include an outer surface, and wherein the rim includes an outer edge extending circumferentially about the rim. The wheel assembly also includes a ring-shaped flange member, and a wheel cladding member having a central portion and an outer periphery complementary to the central portion, wherein the outer periphery includes a circumferentially-extending channel that receives the flange member therein. The channel member is operably coupled to the wheel such that the central portion of the cladding member is aligned with at least a portion of the disk of the wheel, the periphery of the cladding member is aligned with at least a portion of the rim of the wheel, and the channel of the wheel cladding is located substantially proximate the outer edge of the rim.